

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA**

IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY)	ORDER APPROVING
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY FOR)	REQUEST TO PRORATE
APPROVAL TO PRORATE MONTHLY)	MONTHLY PURCHASED
PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT RATES)	GAS ADJUSTMENT RATES
)	NG01-007

On July 19, 2001, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received an application from MidAmerican Energy Company (MidAmerican) requesting approval to prorate its monthly Purchased Gas Adjustment rates on customer bills. According to the filing, the change will allow the company to prorate the customer's monthly usage according to the PGA rates that were in effect during the customer's billing cycle. The prorated usage would be billed on two different monthly PGA rates, weighted by the number of days during the billing cycle as applicable to each of the PGA rates in effect. MidAmerican is requesting that the change begin with the first billing as reflected on the PGA tariff, "[f]or Services on and After August 2, 2001." The revised tariff sheets reflecting changes are:

Section No. III, PGA Sixty-Ninth Revised Sheet No. 3 cancels PGA Sixty-Eighth Revised Sheet No. 3
Second Revised Sheet No. 5 cancels First Revised Sheet No. 5

At its regularly scheduled meeting of July 24, 2001, the Commission discussed final approval of the application. Commission Staff noted that in the past customers have requested such a prorating of the monthly PGA and recommended approval.

The Commission finds that it has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-34A, specifically, 49-34A-2, 49-34A-4, 49-34A-6, 49-34A-8, and 49-34A-10 and ARSD 20:10:17:03. The Commission finds the prorating of the monthly PGA is just and reasonable and approves the change. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the prorating of the monthly Purchased Gas Adjustment rates on customers' bills, as found in the above-referenced tariffs, is approved and is effective for service rendered on and after August 2, 2001.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 27th day of July, 2001.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
The undersigned hereby certifies that this document has been served today upon all parties of record in this docket, as listed on the docket service list, by facsimile or by first class mail, in properly addressed envelopes, with charges prepaid thereon.
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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

PAM NELSON, Commissioner

